



2009 Nevada Day Parade  
Float Rules  
This year's theme is  
**"Nevada Salutes President Lincoln"**  
Parade Day – Saturday October 31, 2009



*In an ongoing effort to improve the quality of the parade, the regulations for floats have been revised and some important changes have been made from previous years. Any parade participant must agree to read and abide by all rules listed below. Those who do not comply will not be allowed to join the parade. Those breaking any rules or regulations during the parade will be removed from the parade. Please read carefully.*

#### **ENTRIES**

1. **TO BE JUDGED**, all Floats must be at least **75% percent decorated** and **depict the theme of the parade**.

#### **SIZE**

2. All floats and trailers used for a float must be within 6 inches in height from the street level or skirted completely, with a rigid material (such as plywood), to within 6 inches of the ground.
3. Floats shall not exceed 17 ½ feet in height and 16 feet in width. The telephone and electrical wires on the parade route make this requirement necessary. The length of the float should be governed by the proper proportion for the design and should be so constructed that it will be able to make the 90 degree turned at street intersections.
4. Maximum length will be 60 feet per unit, not including the pulling vehicle.

#### **SAFETY**

5. Towing Safety: Adequate primary and secondary connection devices shall be made between the towing vehicle and float. All connections shall comply with any and all applicable laws and standards. Primary and secondary connections shall be appropriate for the normal and anticipated loads.
6. **NO THROWING IS PERMITTED. Items may NOT be thrown from entries. People walking alongside the entry may distribute items to the crowd. Please distribute candy and other give-a-ways HAND-TO-HAND by walking along the parade route next to spectators.**
7. **NO ONE MAY STEP ON OR OFF A VEHICLE OR ANY MOTORIZED ENTRY WHILE THE ENTRY IS IN THE PARADE ROUTE, (WILLIAMS STREET TO STEWART STREET.) CHILDREN SHALL NOT BE PLACED ON OR REMOVED FROM ANY FLOAT OR OTHER ENTRY WHILE THE FLOAT IS MOVING, EXCEPT FOR AN EMERGENCY.**
8. All floats and trailers accompanied by people or animals must have adult walkers beside each tire.
9. An adult must be on floats where there are children. The ratio of adults to children is one adult to 10 children to adequately provide for the safety of children below the age of 16.
10. Each pulled float must have a spotter in the cab, other than the driver, viewing the back and communicating with the driver when there is a problem. If no cab is present, spotter must be present beside the float.
11. Fire Extinguishers & Open Flame Display- At least one all-class extinguisher shall be carried in the support or towing vehicle. All fire extinguishers shall be sealed, tagged, and dated within the previous 12-month period. Open flame displays are prohibited.
12. Decorations- All decorative material shall be manufactured so as to be effectively fire retardant
13. Generators: Where used, generators shall be securely mounted on the vehicle with no less than 12 inches of clearance separating it from any combustible material.



2009 Nevada Day Parade  
Float Rules  
This year's theme is  
**"Nevada Salutes President Lincoln"**  
**Parade Day – Saturday October 31, 2009**



**PARADE IN MOTION**

14. Float entries being judged must have their identification clearly marked so as to facilitate viewing by the judges.
15. Floats shall be capable of maintaining a minimum speed of 5 miles per hour under expected conditions.
16. Forward motion must be maintained by all units during the parade and there is no stopping in front of judges' stand. Floats or entries may not stop during the parade for any reason unless otherwise directed by a Parade Marshal.
17. Entries must maintain 20 to 30 feet between each entry.
18. Floats experiencing difficulties must move to the side of the street so others may pass. If at anytime a float holds up the parade due to mechanical or obstruction difficulty, the float will be disqualified.